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A strange humongous lighting woke up Officer "Savoir Noirceur", startling him. He looked from the center of his bed towards the room in a quick glance but it was pitch black. His right hand went through the other side of his bed searching for his wife, but they touched only the pillows and nothing was to be found. He looked outside the window it was raining heavily. Frequent lightning lit his room partially exposing the antiques he had collected that were hanging on the wall. He got up quickly thinking she must have gone downstairs, he grabbed his slippers and began probing the house. His heart was trembling with fear and hands were all shaking for an unknown reason. Downstairs he saw his wife, she was packing something desperately. He asked "What is it? What are you doing?" she said "We have a long journey Dear, come join me, Savoir come find me, what have you done my Love?"

He screams and wakes up in the police precinct, "It was a dream!" He said to himself, "Now where am I? The lockup, what am I doing here?", Officer Tez Laporte approaches him and reassures his companion "Are you alright Chief?" Savoir replied "What happened? Why am I in the precinct?" Tez replied sitting down putting his hand on his shoulder "We found you and your wife at your house; you were unconscious but your wife..." Savoir restlessly said "But what Tez, Where's my wife? Where's Anne?" Tez took

off his hat and with a grim face he said "I hate to break it to you but we found her body in your house yesterday and you were lying next to her unconscious so we brought you to the precinct". Tears rolled down Savoir's cheek and with a trembling voice he said "Oh God! My sweet Anne!" He fell on his knees deeply shook by this sad news. Few hours later, the Head of the Police Mr. Granata came to visit a mourning Savoir and said "My child, I know you are not in the condition but I must ask, about the previous night, do you remember anything?" Savoir sitting in the interrogation chair overwhelmed by grief did not listen, Mr. Granata shook him "Son, answer me do you remember anything from last night?", Savoir completely bewildered said "Chief, I don't know, I've just lost my Anne all I can remember of last night is that we were having a dinner, everything was fine, O God who did this to my poor Anne!?" The Chief of Police left abruptly. The following night Officer Tez was assigned to look after Savoir in the precinct and two other officers accompanied him.

The precinct was dark, darker than usual as if everything was seen through a vignette lens, Savoir was sleeping when footsteps a few meters away woke him up, "Who's there?" he asked sweating heavily, "Tez is it you?", while he was saying this a blurred image of a man started emerging in his eyes, "Who's there? Don't come close!" the man kept coming closer and closer, his face was covered, he roared in a deep grim voice "Savoir Noirceur! We are pleased to see you, come find us, we will tell you who killed your wife and... "Savoir raised his shaking hand towards the man pointing finger at him, "But what! Who killed my wife? Did you kill her? I swear I am

going to kill you", the man replied chuckling "Huh, not so fast, you will have your chance, come find me after burying the dead" the man came closer into the light and in an instant took out a concealed knife from his pocket and thrust it into Savoir's heart, killing him while he shouted "Aaaaanne..... ".

The doctors immediately came to see the patient on hearing his scream, "Mr. Noirceur, are you alright?" Savoir in a hospital bed with three cut marks on his chest got up and looked at the doctors confused "What the heck! What am I doing here?", "It was.... It was a dream again... Doctor what happened?" one of the doctors replied wiping sweat from his forehead "Mr. Noirceur, there was an attack in the precinct last night, Three officers have been brutally murdered, the officials found you unconscious and greatly injured, so they transferred you here, The Chief of Police will be here any time soon to see you", Savoir sunk back into his bed looking at the ceiling above trying to process what had happened. Mr. Granata came with two other officials, Savoir got up on seeing them "Be at rest son, are you alright?" Savoir said "I am fine Chief, what... what happened last night? Where's Tez?", one of the officials replied "There was an attack at the precinct, three of our men have died including Officer Tez, we found you bleeding" the other Officer exclaimed "Probably it was the doing of a single Assassin, someone is out to kill" Mr. Granata said "Don't worry lads, we'll get to the bottom of this and find out whoever is responsible, Savoir you should get some rest" Savoir said "Yes Sir, I remember something from the last night, there was a man his face was covered he said something about

finding him" Mr. Granata replied "There is something more which you should know, near your wife's dead body and the Officers at the precinct, we found an engraving on the wall it read 'Know Darkness' we don't know what that means but looks like it is a serial killer". The doctors interrupted the conversation and sedated Savoir and he fainted.

The following night, one of the doctors took a blood sample of Savoir and retired to his lab for analysis, while he was holding a flask and mixing something from a test tube, he heard a faint sound, footsteps maybe, but he kept on doing his work, all of a sudden a hand came out of nowhere and strangled around his neck choking him, the doctor screamed "Why... Why Mr...." Before he could say anything the silent murderer snapped his neck, the doctor's head fell on the table... He was dead.

Savoir woke up in his bed, feeling dizzy, he looked outside the window, there was a crowd, he called for the doctor but no one answered, the lights were dim and he could barely see anything. Once again the man from the precinct emerged, "Bravo! Bravo! Savoir" he said clapping his hands steadily, "You have done a great job, I am impressed, you managed to survive after all", Savoir furious with rage screamed "You Murderer! I will kill you, you hear me, I will kill you" the mysterious man took out his gun and shot Savior straight in the face, he fell dead.

A street goon said to his Boss "Boss! Boss! Wake up, Wake up..." Savoir woke up abruptly, he was in an abandoned warehouse, he

touched his head to look for the bullet, but there was nothing, and he looked at the man and said blinking "What..... Was I dreaming? Who are you?" the man replied "Boss? What are talking about, we found out that you were held at the Hospital by those Policemen", Savoir was bewildered "But... I am a Police Officer" the man chuckled "Yeah, and I am the President of United States, Boss you never cease to amuse me" Confused even more, Savoir said "Alright, tell me about what happened last night" he said "Well, two Doctors and a policeman were killed last night by the Assassin who goes by the name 'Know Darkness' the Police are out looking for him, We got the news that you were in the same Hospital so we got you out" Savoir tried to get up from the bed saying that he must be leaving to find out answers about his wife and Tez's death and to avenge their murder but he fell due to the wounds. The goon was surprised to hear this, he said "But Boss, your wife died three years ago in a car accident", Savoir said "What? But I saw my Anne three days ago, we were living happily" the goon chuckled "Boss, you must be on Morphine" saying this, the man went upstairs stating he will look out for the cops.

While the gangster was looking out, he heard footsteps behind him and a clucking of gun it was a man, he looked back and screamed "What are doing with that gun?" the man immediately fired two shots at him one in the chest other in the head. With the gangster on the ground, the murderer dipped his finger in the blood and wrote on the wall "Know Darkness". The murderer came downstairs to see Savoir injured and unable to get up, he said "Hello, Savoir

Noirceur, we keep on meeting again and again, maybe we are destined this way", Savoir could not get up due to the wounds, he replied "What do you want from me?" the mysterious man said "Come find me in the inner most room of the clock tower and find all your answers". After this Savoir fell unconscious.

Few hours later Savoir woke up in the same warehouse, he put on a coat and took the goon's gun and went straight towards the clock tower, he hid his face to avoid any suspicion, on the way a man handed him a flyer and said there is a reward of 50,000$ on this man, Savoir ignored him but the man slipped a flyer into his pocket saying "It might come in handy", Savoir was burning with rage he didn't give a damn about the wanted man or money, he just wanted to take revenge for his wife's and friends murder.

He reached the clock tower when he tried to open the inner most door, it was locked, and the mysterious man heard the cranking of door knob and said "Voila! You have arrived, and right on time Mr. Noirceur" Savoir said "Just shut up and open the door, he said "What's the rush don't you wanna know about your wife's murderer?", Savoir said "Damn you, just let me in or I'll break your neck", the mysterious man chuckled "I am afraid you can't as it will harm you severely", Savoir said "Tell me who killed Anne? Who killed my wife?" The man replied "Listen to me carefully now, it is all a big lie, they are playing with your mind, you have been sedated, your wife died three years ago", Savoir said "Don't you dare lie to me! You're making stories to save your life". The man laughed "Savoir... Savoir.... so naive, don't you think? what sort of name is

Savoir Noirceur? It's French; do you know what it means? It translates to 'Know Darkness' ". Savoir was shook to the core, it's true, the man continued "This is not your real name, your name is Noah Webber, you are a Mob Lord", Savoir could not believe it, he wiped the sweat off his forehead, panting and supporting himself by the wall he said "What, Why should I believe you? What's the proof?" the man said "Look at the flyer in your pocket, the man on whom there is a reward of fifty thousand dollars," Savoir trembling with fear took out the flyer, unfolded it and what he saw in it tore his eyes wide open, shocked, it was his photograph and written "Mob Boss, Noah Webber Wanted Dead or Alive". Savoir fell to the ground on his knees, he said "What about my wife, I saw her three days ago we were living happily", The mysterious man replied "She's not your wife, she was assigned to kill you three days ago, they implanted her in your memory, and made you think that you were some Police Officer," Noah said "then how did I escape? Who saved me? The man replied "I did, at the precinct, at the hospital when the doctor tried to poison you, at the warehouse when the goon sold you out to the Police; he was standing there waiting to signal the police". The man further added "I want you to meet me, come I am opening the door", Noah went forward the door opened, Noah went inside, it was a small shady room, the other side of which was not visible due to the dim light although Noah could see a curtain on a certain thing, He went forth, took the curtain with his hand, lifted the curtain and what he saw was outrageous! There was nothing in the room, just a "MIRROR". Noah looked inside the mirror, he could see his reflection smiling, and He uttered to himself "I...I... am

‘Know Darkness’. He stood there frowning at the mirror while his reflection was smiling. Suddenly he heard a peculiar tic-tic of something, he searched everywhere nothing was to be found, he looked in the mirror, it was coming from it, he broke the mirror with his hand, only to find a bomb which was ticking behind it. Before he could do anything the timer of the bomb turned to three... Two... One... There was a blast.

“Nooooooooooooooo....” Screaming and panting heavily, Noah woke up in his bed, it was raining outside, lighting and thunder all around, he could see Anne sleeping beside him. "Just a dream... Phew... It was just a bad dream... Just a bad dream... Silly me" he said smiling and wiping sweat from his forehead. He reached for the glass of water beside his bed, his hand reached a certain something like a paper, Noah took it and unfolded it, and he couldn't see anything. Lighting the lamp near the bed and seeing the paper he couldn't believe his eyes, his hands were trembling as he held the flyer from the street, the flyer fell from his hands which read "Mob Boss Noah Webber Wanted Dead or Alive"....

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